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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6619

BILL NUMBER: SB 246

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 22, 2013

BILL AMENDED: Feb 21, 2013

SUBJECT: Controlled Drug Prescribing Oversight.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Grooms

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) *Specified Ownership of Controlled Substances Entities*- The bill allows only specified persons to have an ownership interest in an entity that prescribes, dispenses, or administers controlled substances.

Rules Adoption- The bill requires the Medical Licensing Board (MLB), before October 1, 2013, to adopt rules to establish standards and protocols for the prescribing of controlled substances. The bill requires the State Board of Pharmacy (SBOP) and other boards that oversee controlled substance registrations to adopt necessary rules to complement rules adopted by the MLB concerning standards and protocols for the prescribing of controlled substances.

Effective Date: (Amended) Upon passage, July 1, 2013.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) *Rules Adoption*- The Medical Licensing Board and State Board of Pharmacy and certain other boards would have additional responsibilities to adopt rules to establish controlled substance protocols and standards of prescription. The Professional Licensing Agency (PLA) is the agency that staffs meetings of the MLB and the SBOP. If the development of rules under the bill required additional meetings of the MLB and the SBOP, PLA staff assigned to the MLB and the SBOP would require more time away from other duties to staff the additional meetings. MLB and SBOP members would earn per diem, subsistence, and mileage reimbursement for each additional meeting.

Background Information- A member of a professional board who is not a state employee is entitled to a \$50

per diem and \$39 subsistence (if an overnight stay is warranted). Additional meeting costs include preparation of information packets for members, including printing and postage.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Medical Licensing Board; Board of Pharmacy Professional Licensing Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Professional Licensing Agency.

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